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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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| In re Application of:       | ) |                       |
|                             | : | Examiner: J. Grant II |
| SHIGERU UEDA                | ) |                       |
|                             | : | Group Art Unit: 2624  |
| Application No.: 09/985,710 | ) |                       |
|                             | : |                       |
| Filed: November 6, 2001     | ) |                       |
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| For: IMAGE INPUT-OUTPUT     | ) |                       |
| APPARATUS AND METHOD        | : |                       |
| THEREFOR                    | ) | December 19, 2001     |

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Supplemental to the Preliminary Amendment filed on November 6, 2001,  
and prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as  
follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the original Abstract with the following substitute Abstract:

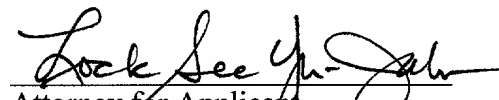
REMARKS

The present Preliminary Amendment amends the specification to replace the original Abstract with a new Abstract of 150 words or less, as required by the Notice To File Corrected Application Papers mailed on November 29, 2001. Applicant submits that the new Abstract contains no new matter and is directed to the claims of the present divisional application.

An early and favorable examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below listed address.

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